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Honolulu Liquor Commission Denies Liquor License for Hawaiian Brian's Billiards, Revokes License of Angela's Mini-Mart for a Repeat Violation of Selling Liquor to Minors and Provides Updates on Hiring Process for Liquor Control Administrator

**HONOLULU (Dec. 2, 2005)** – The Honolulu Liquor Commission (HLC) took the following action at its 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the fiscal year on Dec. 1, 2005:

- **Big Island Steak House (Oahu)** (default) was fined \$250 for violation of Section 281-91, HRS (failing to pay a penalty of \$250 within 15 days of service of Order) and will be required to pay the delinquent penalty.
- **Club Viet Pearl** (found guilty) was fined \$250 for violation of Rule 38-4(a) (time card).
- **Leslie's Place** (found guilty) was fined \$100 for violation of Rule 78.5-2 (stacking).
- **ABC Store No. 15A** (at **Ala Moana Center**) (no contest) and **Kainehe Liquors** (no contest) each were fined \$2,000 for violations of Section 281-78(b)(1)(A) (selling liquor to a minor). The Commission also requested server training for the owner/licensee of **Kainehe Liquors** within 90 days.
- **Da Spirit Market** (no contest), **Walk In Liquors** (no contest), **Helen's Party Store** (no contest) each were fined \$1,000 for violations of Section 281-78(b)(1)(A) (selling liquor to a minor).
- **C 'N N Mini Mart & Liquors**' license was suspended for two weeks and their owner/licensee and servers were required to attend server training within 14 days of receiving the Decision and Order for a repeat violation of Section 281-78(b)(1)(A) (selling liquor to a minor).
- **Angela's Mini Mart**'s license was revoked for a repeat violation of Section 281-78(b)(1)(A) (selling liquor to a minor). It was the licensee's third violation within a two-year period.

During the public hearings portion of the meeting, the Commission:

- Denied the application from **Gara**, **Inc.** (dba **Hawaiian Brian's Billiards**) at 1680 Kapiolani Blvd. for a Dispenser General license (Cat. No. 3 - Live entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing).

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- Deferred the application from **Kmart Corporation** (**dba Kmart #7480**) for a Retail General license at 500 North Nimitz Hwy. until Dec. 22, 2005.
- Deferred the application from Max Investments, Inc. (dba Muse Karaoke) for a Dispenser General license (Cat. No. 3 Live entertainment or Recorded Music and Dancing) at 815 Keeaumoku St. until Dec. 15, 2005 to allow the licensing inspector time to review and validate approximately 50 protest signatures.

During the preliminary hearings, license and requests portion of the meeting, the Commission:

- Approved the application from **GB Acquisition**, **Inc.** (dba **GB Brewery Restaurant**) for a Special General license on Dec. 14, 2005 at **Aloha Tower Marketplace**.
- Approved the application (with modified service hours from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.) from **Roberto J. Acoba** (dba **Eastside Grill**) for a Special Beer license on Dec. 17, 2005 at **Kualoa Ranch**.
- Approved the application from **Diamond Head Cellars, LLC** for a Wholesale General license at 1010
   Pakela St.
- Approved the application from **Kimberlina Le Ho** (dba **Kim An's**) for a Retail General license at 174 North King St.
- Approved the application, subject to updated personal history forms, from Valanh, L.L.C. (dba Club
  Tempatation Karaoke Lounge for the transfer of ownership interest and notification of new members
  at 1217 Hopaka St.
- Approved the application, subject to updated personal history forms, from AM Jewell, Inc. (dba Club Marie) for approval of the transfer of capital stock and notification of new officers, directors and stockholders.
- Referred requests from GER, Inc. (dba Café Bronco) and Tavern 515, Inc. (dba Club Yuraku-Cho) to Corporate Counsel for a legal opinion and deferred the matters until Dec. 15, 2005. Both requests were seeking Declaratory Rulings to allow use of either ad-tabs, coupon cards or phone cards vending machines in the premises.
- The Commission took no action regarding a request from **Koolau Golf Partners LLC** (dba **Koolau Golf Club**) for approval to have a dinner event with casino games on Dec. 3, 2005.

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During other business:

- The Commission discussed the procedures for the interview process and selection of the Liquor Control Administrator. All Commissioners will participate in the interview process and will receive training by the Department of Human Resources.
- The Commission heard from an HGEA representative regarding its review of the recently adopted 2005 Strategic Plan. Further meetings and discussions were planned on various topics.
- The Commission deferred discussion and formulation of performance goals for the Liquor Control Administrator.

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